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SUBJECT: DISARMAMENT: MEXICAN DRAFT RESOLUTION ON SALT

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1. WHILE MEXICAN DRAFT SALT RES IS IN GENERAL NON-

CONTENTIOUS, WE DO HAVE SOME PROBLEMS WITH ITS LANGUAGE. FOR EXAMPLE, OPERATIVE PARA 1 INVITES US "TO BEAR CONSTANTLY IN MIND" THE "NECESSITY" OF REACHING AGREEMENT ON "SUBSTANTIAL" REDUCTIONS OF STRATEGIC NUCLEAR WEAPONS SYSTEMS; THE SUMMIT BASIC PRINCIPLES FOR SALT REFER TO EFFORTS TO REACH "A PERMANENT AGREEMENT ON MORE COMPLETE MEASURES ON THE LIMITATION OF STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS, AS WELL AS THEIR SUBSEQUENT REDUCTION." MOREOVER, WE DOUBT THE USEFULNESS OF APPROVING APPEALS TO OURSELVES SINCE WE DO NOT INTEND THAT UN RESES AFFECT SALT NEGOTIATIONS.

2. DELEGATION SHOULD THEREFORE ABSTAIN ON MEXICAN RES, AND WE SUGGEST ACCOMPANYING ABSTENTION WITH EXPLANATION ALONG FOLLOWING LINES: WE UNDERSTAND AND WELCOME THE INTEREST SHOWN BY THE WORLD COMMUNITY IN THE STRATEGIC ARMS LIMITATIONS TALKS. WE BELIEVE "THAT THE EARLIEST

ADOPTION OF FURTHER LIMITATIONS OF STRATEGIC ARMS WOULD BE A MAJOR CONTRIBUTION IN REDUCING THE DANGER OF AN OUTBREAK OF NUCLEAR WAR AND IN STRENGTHENING INTERNATIONAL PEACE AND SECURITY." FOR OUR PART WE INTEND TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE "TO WORK OUT THE PROVISIONS OF A PERMANENT AGREEMENT ON MORE COMPLETE MEASURES ON THE LIMITATION OF STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS AS WELL AS THEIR SUBSEQUENT REDUCTION." IN ABSTAINING ON THE MEXICAN RESOLUTION, THEREFORE, WE ARE NOT OBJECTING TO IT, BUT ARE MERELY REAFFIRMING OUR CONVICTION THAT THE EXTREMELY COMPLEX SALT NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD PROCEED ALONG LINES SET DOWN BY THE PARTIES THEMSELVES. (FYI. QUOTED LANGUAGE IS FROM JUNE 21 SUMMIT DOCUMENT, "BASIC PRINCIPLES OF NEGOTIATIONS ON THE FURTHER LIMITATION OF STRATEGIC OFFENSIVE ARMS." END FYI.)

3. IN VIEW DESIRABILITY THAT WE AND SOVS VOTE TOGETHER ON THIS RES, DEL SHOULD INFORM SOVDEL ASAP THAT WE PLAN ABSTAIN, BUT WOULD WISH RECONSIDER ABSTENTION IF SOVS PREPARED VOTE FOR RES. KISSINGER

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